

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

February 16, 2021

Lori Shibinette Commissioner New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services 129 Pleasant Street Concord, N.H. 03301

Dear Commissioner Shibinette,

Pursuant to my authority under RSA 21-P:43; RSA 4:45; RSA 4:47; and Executive Order 2020-04, as extended by Executive Orders 2020-05, 2020-08, 2020-09, 2020-10, 2020-14, 2020-15, 2020-16, 2020-17, 2020-18, 2020-20, 2020-21, 2020-23, 2020-24, 2020-25, 2021-01, and 2021-02 I have approved your written request, in attachment, to take the following actions related to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency:

1. Authority for the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Division of Public Health Services, Bureau of Infectious Disease Control to accept and expend federal funds in the amount of \$576,526 from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to fund the Immunization Program. Budgeted consistent with the information in the request in attachment, effective through June 30, 2021. (100% Federal Funds).

The Department of Administrative Services is authorized to take the actions necessary to effectuate this authorization.

Sincerely,

Christopher T. Sununu

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Governor

CC Charles Arlinghaus, Commissioner, Department of Administrative Services



Lori Shibinette Commissioner

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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February 12, 2021

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu State House Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION UNDER RSA 21-P:43; RSA 4:45; RSA 4:47; AND EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-04
AS EXTENDED BY EXECUTIVE ORDERS 2020-05, 2020-08, 2020-09, 2020-10, 2020-14, 2020-15, 202016, 2020-17, 2020-18, 2020-20, 2020-21, 2020-23, 2020-24, 2021-01 AND 2021-02.

Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health Services, Bureau of Infectious Disease Control, to accept and expend federal funds in the amount of \$576,526 from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to fund the Immunization Program effective upon date of your approval through June 30, 2021, and further authorize the funds to be allocated as follows: 100% Federal Funds.

05-95-90-902510-5178-HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, DEPT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, HHS: DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH, BUREAU OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE CONTROL, IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM.

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SFY2021 Class/Object	Class Title	Current Authorized Budget		This Request		Adjusted Budget	
Revenue							
000-404706	Federal Funds	\$	5,311,546	\$	576,526	\$	5,888,072
	General Funds	\$	561,948			\$	561,948
Total Revenue:		\$	5,873,494	\$	576,526	\$	6,450,020
Expense							
010-500100	Personal Services Perm	\$	874,074	\$	-	\$	874,074
018-500106	Overtime	\$	11,500	\$	100,000	\$	111,500
020-500200	Current Expenses	\$	331,572	\$	-	\$	331,572
026-500251	Organizational Dues	\$	3,500	\$	-	\$	3,500
030-500302	Equipment	\$	181,938	\$	-	\$	181,938
037-500173	Technology-Hardware	\$	8,000	\$	м	\$	8,000
038-500175	Technology-Software	\$	36,342	\$	-	\$	36,342
039-500188	Telecommunications	\$	1,600	\$	-	\$	1,600
041-500801	Audit Fund Set Aside	\$	4,007	\$	577	\$	4,584
042-500620	Post Retirements Benefits	\$	91,166	\$		\$	91,166
046-500462	Consultants	\$	100	\$	-	\$	100
050-500109	Personal Service - Temp	\$	62,272	\$	-	\$	62,272
059-500117	Temp Full Time	\$	114,836	\$	-	\$	114,836
060-500601	Benefits	\$	542,168	\$	19,580	\$	561,748
066-500543	Employee Training	\$	500	\$	4	\$	500
070-500704	In State Travel Reimb	\$	13,150	\$	-	\$	13,150
080-500710	Out of State Travel Reimb	\$	17,600	\$	-	\$	17,600
102-500731	Contracts for Program Services	\$	2,865,593	\$	456,369	\$	3,321,962
103-502664	Contracts for Op Services	\$	364,891	\$	-	\$	364,891
513-500355	Vaccine Purchases	\$	297,774	\$		\$	297,774
548-500396	Reagents	\$	50,912	\$	-	\$	50,912
Total Expense:			5,873,494	\$	576,526	\$	6,450,020

EXPLANATION

On December 16, 2020, an award was made to the State by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The purpose of the award is to support program needs to focus on work for Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) vaccination planning and implementation. It will be instrumental in the development of state-wide plans with key partners for the distribution and administration of anticipated SARS-CoV-2 vaccine(s). Lastly, under the Vaccines for Children (VFC) Operations, non-COVID funding has been made

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available to support additional VFC education, training, and infrastructure needs for increased VFC services to support our health care provider practices during the current pandemic.

The funds are to be budgeted as follows:

Class 018	The funds will be used to pay overtime expense.
Class 041	The funds will be used to pay for audit fund set aside.
Class 060	The funds will be used to pay for benefits.
Class 102	The funds will be used to pay for contracts.

In response to the anticipated two-part question, "Can these funds be used to offset General Funds?" and "What is the compelling reason for not offsetting General Funds?" the Division offers the following information: These funds may not be used to offset General Funds as they are specifically granted to the State for the purpose of providing the services described above.

These funds will not change the program eligibility levels. No new program will be established with the acceptance of these funds.

Area served: Statewide

Source of Funds: 100% Federal Funds from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The notice of supplemental funds awarded was received December 16, 2020. They were not added to the operating budget because these are new funds recently granted to the State to assist in the public health Coronavirus response and were not anticipated at the time the budget was developed.

If Federal Funds become no longer available, General Funds will not be requested to support the program expenditures.

Respectfully submitted,

For Lori A. Shibinette Commissioner